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The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The references submitted with the IDS have been reviewed. Although Tae-won *et al.* (US 6,294,287) and Collien *et al.* (EP 768,723) are both marked with an X on the International Search Report of 06 November 2006; neither of them discloses a surfactant which is amphoteric, as required by the present claims, and as presently defined as having both positively and negatively charged groups.

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